

The HOME JOURNAL



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THE SOJOURNERS



“You never retire from God’s Word”

It’s the American Dream. Work hard, save some money, and then the fun part...Retirement! But, according to Vicki Stewart, “You never retire from God’s Word.” This thought is shared by dozens of retired Christians all over the country. They call themselves the Sojourners.

For two weeks, 13 Sojourners came to the Carpenter Place campus to serve, work, live, and play. They dedicate two weeks of their life to help complete projects that might not get done otherwise.

While on campus, the Sojourners live in RV’s and campers. Each morning, they meet with the Carpenter Place girls and start their day off with a devotional and brief meeting. Then they head to their work assignments. This year, they tackled stump grinding, fence repair, painting, cottage repair, and so much more. The women taught the girls a sewing project and a cookie decorating class.



After a brief lunch, it’s back to work. Of course, it’s not all work. The Sojourners take nights & weekends off. This year, they attended the annual Fish Fry at the East Point Church of Christ. They enjoy visiting with houseparents and spending time with the girls.

When asked what drew them to the Sojourners, newcomer Anna Neill said while at a worship service at their home congregation, a Sojourner couple made a presentation, and they were hooked. The thought of retiring never really crossed their mind until her husband recently retired. They love to travel and wanted to keep serving where they could. Sojourning seemed like the perfect combination!

Connie Hutfles, one of the houseparents at Carpenter Place, commented that she admired the Sojourners. In a Facebook post, she said the Sojourners are “amazing examples of discipleship”.

For more information on the Sojourners, visit their website at www.sojourning.org.

CROSSBAR CAMP



Every fall, the girls and houseparents participate in Crossbar Camp. This camp takes place during Fall Break in Western Kansas.

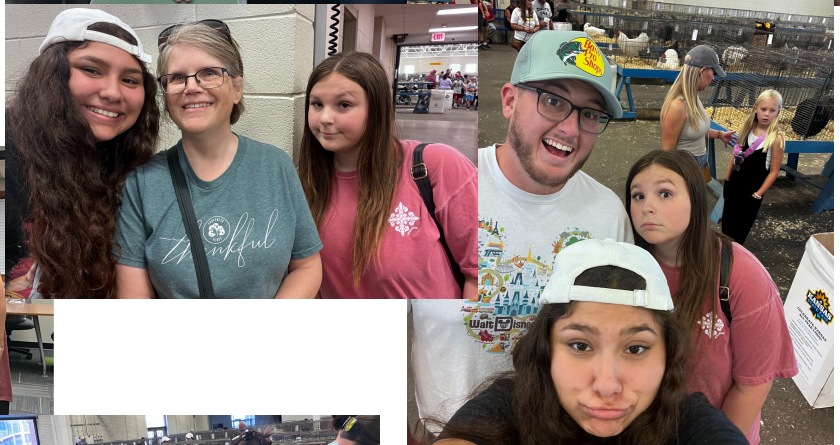
This year, the girls had a full week with Bible studies, devos, rocket launching, making a creative project with available materials, and the second annual cow pie tossing contest!

We are also thankful to Mary & Jason Allen and Donna Harrold for camping the entire week & cooking for the group!



AROUND CAMPUS

As the summer winds down, we look forward to the Fall and what it has to offer. The girls began the school year with a trip to the Kansas State Fair and spent time with the Sojourners on campus. We celebrated Lilly's bell ringing ceremony and had a very special guest on campus - Ms. Shirley Baldrige Porch, the last surviving sibling of the original children placed in what is now Carpenter Place! The girls were also gifted running shoes from Fartleks Running Shop.



GIFTS RECEIVED

In Memory Of...

Bill Eskew

Steve & Becky Clark

Carol Hornbaker

Roger Hornbaker

Della Ellwood

Anonymous

Marvin Casebolt

Margie Casebolt

Richard Dunlap

Thomas & Jane Gluszek

*in
loving
memory*

In Honor Of...

Josie Ferris

Michael & Shelley Courter

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NEEDS LIST



Items in red are especially needed at this time.

- Individual juice bottles/pouches (CapriSun)
- Canned corn/green beans
- Individually packaged chips
- Individual flavored tuna pouches
- Canola oil
- Alfredo sauce
- Slim Jim Stix
- Shelf stable Vanilla almond milk (in a box)
- Tortillas
- Individual Mac and Cheese cups
- Cereal - *Fruity Pebbles, Resse's Puffs, Honey Bunches of Oats, Golden Grahams, Captain Crunch, Special K Strawberry, Life, Cinnamon Life
- Spaghetti sauce
- Solo cups
- Oats/Quick oats
- Stewed tomatoes
- Q-Tips cotton swabs
- Canned fruit
- Bottled juice
- Minute rice
- Graham crackers
- Veggie straws
- Seasoned salt
- Sunny Delight
- Evaporated milk
- Muffin mix
- Condiments: honey mustard, BBQ sauce, Italian dressing
- Velveeta
- Pinto beans
- Kleenex
- Dishwasher pacs
- Swiffer wet cloths
- Salsa
- Tajin seasoning
- Paper towels
- Trash bags – Kitchen (13 gal) & Bathroom sizes